
Federal Agency Guidance Regarding the COVID-19 Outbreak

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White House

[Executive Order](#) on Prioritizing and Allocating Health and Medical Resources to Respond to the Spread of Covid-19 (March 18,202)

[Executive Order](#) on Preventing Hoarding of Health and Medical Resources to Respond to the Spread of COVID-19 (March 23, 2020)

Office of Management and Budget

Administrative Relief for Recipients and Applicants of Federal Financial Assistance Directly Impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) due to Loss of Operations. [M-20-17](#) (March 19, 2020) This memorandum provides short term relief for administrative, financial management, and audit requirements under 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. Uniform Guidance provides agencies the authority to provide additional flexibilities on a case-by-case basis. To the extent permitted by law, awarding agencies may extend awards which were active as of March 31, 2020 and scheduled to expire prior or up to December 31, 2020, automatically at no cost for a period of up to twelve (12) months.

Previous memo [M-20-11](#) (March 9, 202)

National Science Foundation

New guidance for NSF awardees to implement flexibilities authorized by the Office of Management and Budget [NSF Implementation of OMB Memorandum M-20-17](#) (March 23, 2020)

[Frequently Asked Questions for Proposers and Awardees](#) About the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) [Guidance](#) for Major Facilities and Contracts Regarding COVID-19

Impact on Existing Deadline Dates

NSF will be extending the deadline date for certain solicitations and Dear Colleague Letters (DCLs). Proposers are strongly encouraged to check for updates on other programs to be added [here](#).

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

[NASA Coronavirus Response Information](#)

NASA's Science Mission Directorate (SMD)

[FAQ](#) on Grants and Research during the COVID-19 Epidemic (March 31,2020)



Health and Human Resources

HHS/Health Resource and Administration

[Frequently Asked Questions](#) for health centers regarding Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

[New Action](#) to Cut Red Tape to Support COVID-19 Response

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

[COVID-19 Information](#) for SAMHSA Discretionary Grant Recipients

National Institutes of Health

NIH Late Application Policy Due to Public Health Emergency for United States for 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Notice Number: [NOT-OD-20-091](#) (March 26, 2020)

[NIH FAQs: COVID-19](#) Flexibilities for Applicants and Recipients

NIH will be sending regular updates to the research community through the [NIH Extramural Nexus newsletter](#).

NIH has created a central site for its current guidance – including newly updated guidance on late applications, flexibilities for applicants and recipients, and clinical trials - which can be found at

https://grants.nih.gov/grants/natural_disasters/corona-virus.htm.

National Institutes of Health/Office of The Director

Late Application Policy Due to Public Health Emergency for United States for 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Notice Number: [NOT-OD-20-082](#)

Flexibilities Available to Applicants and Recipients of Federal Financial Assistance Affected by COVID-19

Notice Number: [NOT-OD-20-086](#) and [youtube](#)

General Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) - Proposal Submission and Award Management Related to COVID-19

NIH intends to publish detailed guidance related to administrative flexibilities and associated FAQs.

Notice Number: [NOT-OD-20-083](#)

National Institutes of Health

Guidance for NIH-funded Clinical Trials and Human Subjects Studies Affected by COVID-19

Notice Number: [NOT-OD-20-087](#)

Department of Energy

Department of Energy/Office of Science

[Guidance](#) on program flexibility for grant applicants and awardees

DOE has started to extend deadlines for funding opportunities open to research universities. Extensions are still on a case by case basis, and researchers should contact the lead program manager assigned to the funding opportunity for up to date information on due dates.



Department of Defense

Basic Research Office

DOD/Basic Science Research policy states that no-cost extensions must be supported in all possible cases. However, please be aware that funding expiration statutes may prohibit extensions. Contact your DOD grants manager for award-specific guidance.

Frequently Asked Questions for DOD Research Proposers and Awardees Impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

DOD coronavirus response website is <https://www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus/>.

Office of Naval Research (ONR) has not issued any guidance at this point

U.S. Army Medical Research & Development [COVID-19 website](#)

United States Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

[COVID-19 FAQs for Grant Applicants and Recipients](#) (Version 1, March 16, 2020)

[COVID-19 FAQs for Grant Applicants and Recipients](#) (Version 2, March 25, 2020)

DARPA [Frequently Asked Question \(FAQ\) about COVID-19 \(Coronavirus\) for DARPA Performers](#) (3/19/20)

Department of Agriculture

USDA [Frequently Asked Questions](#) and Actions to Respond to COVID-19

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

NIFA is extending deadlines for certain grants and will continue to monitor the situation and post updates to this guidance [here](#).

[NIFA Deadline Extensions due to COVID-19](#)

Department of Labor

DOL resources for workers and employers regarding the COVID-19 virus <https://www.dol.gov/coronavirus>

Coverage under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), job-protected leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), and paid sick leave and expanded family and medical leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA). [Wage and Hour Division](#)

Department of Justice

DOJ/Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Office (COPS)

COPS has extended the solicitation deadline for several open grant programs due to the potential impact of jurisdictional emergency responses to COVID-19 that may cause reasonable delays for applicants. For detailed individual program information, see the [grants page](#).

DOJ/Office of Justice Programs

OJP Grantee Update #1 COVID-19 Impacts [email](#)



OJP announced that solicitations with application due dates before April 1st will have a 2 week extension for submission. We will continue to monitor the situation and determine if additional adjustments to closing dates will be needed, see the [grants page](#).

Department of Education

USDE COVID-19 website of resources at <https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus>.

Office of Postsecondary Education/Federal Student Aid

[Guidance](#) for interruptions of study related to Coronavirus (COVID-19) (Updated March 20, 2020)

Student Privacy Policy Office

[Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQ) Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and student data privacy requirements as it relates to COVID-19 and possible disclosure of information.

Office of Civil Rights

[Fact Sheet](#) protecting students' civil rights during COVID-19

Department of State

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)- COVID19 website <https://www.usaid.gov/coronavirus>